AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP 1731 PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Docket No: Q76587 Kouji TAKAHASHI, et al. Appln. No.: 10/619,181 Group Art Unit: 1731 Confirmation No.: 4972 Examiner: Anna L. KINNEY Filed: July 15, 2003 For: GLASS SUBSTRATE FOR A MASK BLANK, METHOD OF PRODUCING A GLASS SUBSTRATE FOR A MASK BLANK, MASK BLANK, METHOD OF PRODUCING THE MASK BLANK, TRANSFER MASK, AND METHOD OF PRODUCING A TRANSFER MASK AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 **MAIL STOP AF** Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: In response to the Office Action dated March 7, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages. TABLE OF CONTENTS AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS2

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